

What is claimed is:

1. A configurable software system that compares the usage characteristics of a
5 computer file to a second data set, in order to associate data from the second set with said file.
2. A configurable software system of claim 1, where the usage characteristics of a
computer file include the date and time of operation.
- 10 3. A configurable software system of claim 1, where the second set of data relates to a user's schedule or activities.
4. A configurable software system of claim 1, where the data of the second set is
15 obtained by interfacing with another software program, for example, a third party scheduling and planning software.
5. A configurable software system of claim 1, where the association of data between
the second set and said file is completed automatically, based on matching the date and
20 time of current computer operation against a schedule of events with dates and times.
6. A configurable software system of claim 1, where a folder structure is generated
automatically according to characteristics from the second data set.
- 25 7. A configurable software system of claim 1, where the computer user has the capability of manually entering additional data to be associated with said file.
8. A configurable software system of claim 1, where data associated with said file
resulting from such matching are stored in a searchable database, or other searchable data
30 structure.

9. A process for associating scheduling data with a file consisting of the following acts: (A) stipulating a schedule of events with dates, times and activities; (B) using a computer, for example to create, modify, delete or access a current file; (C) comparing at least one characteristic of the current file against the schedule; (D) associating a searchable label to the current file when the current file matches at least one characteristic of the schedule; and (E) retrieving the current file using the label.
10. A configurable software system that embodies claim 9.
11. A process for associating scheduling data with a file consisting of the following steps: (A) interfacing with a scheduling or planning program to import a schedule of events with dates, times, activities, and related data; (B) using a computer, for example to create, modify, delete or access files; (C) comparing at least one characteristic of the current file against the schedule; (D) associating a searchable label to the current file when the current file matches at least one characteristic of the schedule; and (E) retrieving the current file using the label.
12. A configurable software system that embodies claim 11.
13. A user interface consisting of input fields to save data associated with a schedule with a file.
14. A user interface of claim 13 where said input fields include file name; file location; file type; fields derived from a schedule such as meeting name, meeting participants, participant contact information, etc.; and custom fields where a user can enter additional text data.